Get Up to Code! Termite Protection in the Florida Building Code

Inspection for Termites

- 6" inspection clearance between exterior siding and final earth grade
- No landscaping within 1 foot of foundation
- Access required for structures with crawl spaces

Termite Protection Notices

- Certificate of protective treatment for prevention of termites affixed to job board
- Notice of termite protection: durable sign affixed next to water heater or electric panel identifying treatment provider and contractual re-inspection or re-treatement requirements

Protection Against Termites

- Certificate of Compliance issued upon completion of the termite protective treatment
- Soil treatment after compaction of soil
- Soil re-treatment after any soil disturbance
- Forms and traps in soil must be plastic or metal
- Vapor barrier installed after soil treatment
- Concrete overpour removed
- Exterior vertical soil treatment applied after all construction/landscaping is complete
- Baiting system installed before final approval
- Wood treatment completed before final approval
- Protective sleeves in slab not made of cellulose material
- Cells in masonry contain no cellulose material
- Concrete bearing ledge required for brick veneer
- Water lines, downspouts, and sprinklers discharge 1 foot away from home
- Building site graded for drainage, no cellulose material within 1 foot of foundation
- 6" inspection clearance between exterior siding and ground
- 6" clearance between foam plastic insulation and ground

For more information visit the Florida Building Code 2014 online at: http://floridabuilding2.iccsafe.org



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